

REMARKS

The Advisory Action suggested that Applicants' claims, if rewritten as a method claim, would be considered over MPEP § 2115.

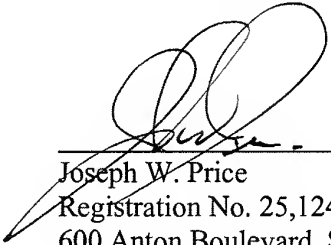
As can be determined, the same features that are clearly distinguished over the cited art are now presented in a method claim at the suggestion of the Examiner. Applicants wish to thank the Examiner for the courtesy of making this suggestion.

Since the only issue is the MPEP § 2115 issue, it is believed that the case is now in condition for allowance and an early notification of the same is requested.

Applicants would appreciate if the Examiner could contact the undersigned attorney and inform him if any issues remain in this case.

Very truly yours,

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